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General Position Information

Job Title: 28724 - Associate Counsel - GS-15

Salary Range: \$114,590 - \$164,200 (not applicable for detailees)

Vacancy Open Period: 11/07/2018 – 11/22/2018

Position Type: Cadre, Detailee

Who May Apply: Internal and External Candidates, Detailees

Division: IC IG/COUN

Duty Location: Reston, VA

Security Clearance: TS/SCI with CI Polygraph

Travel Required: 0-25% Travel

Relocation Expenses: For new ODNI employees, reimbursement for relocation is discretionary based on availability of funds.

Job Interview Travel: Candidates from outside the Washington, D.C., area may be selected for a telephone, teleconference, or in-person interview. If selected for an in-person interview, any travel or lodging will be at the applicant's personal expense.

Position Information:

This is an opportunity for:

- An internal or external candidate to fill a GS-15 cadre position.
- A Federal Government employee to serve on a two-year reimbursable detail assignment in the ODNI. The detail assignment may be extended an additional year if all parties agree.

Who May Apply:

Current GS employees at the same grade or one grade lower than the advertised position grade may apply. Former members of the Peace Corps may be considered for ODNI employment only if five full years have elapsed since separation from the Peace Corps.

- For a cadre assignment:
 - Current ODNI permanent cadre.
 - Current ODNI Staff Reserve Employees. (A staff reserve employee who currently occupies this position may not apply.)
 - Current Federal Government employees. (Current GS employees at the same grade or one grade lower than the advertised position grade may apply.)
 - Candidates outside the Federal Government.



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- For a detailee assignment:
 - Current Federal Government employees. (Current GS employees at the same grade or one grade lower than the advertised position grade may apply.)

Salary Determination:

- The ODNI uses a rank-in-person system in which rank is attached to the individual. A selected ODNI candidate or other Federal Government candidate will be assigned to the position at the employee's current GS grade and salary.
- For a selected non-Federal Government candidate, salary will be established within the salary range listed above, based on education and experience.
- A current Federal Government employee, selected for a detail, will be assigned to the position at his or her current grade and salary.

Component Mission:

The Inspector General (IG) conducts, supervises, and coordinates inspections, audits, investigations, and reviews relating to the programs and operations over which the Director of National Intelligence has authority and responsibility.

Major Duties and Responsibilities (MDRs):

- Provide expert oral and written legal advice and guidance on the most complex areas of law, with appropriate input from supervisors and colleagues; expertly interpret and explain laws, regulations, policies, and other legal authorities, related to Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI), Intelligence Community (IC) mission, and IG authorities.
- Provide legal advice, guidance, and training to IC OIG staff in connection with whistleblower protections and reprisal issues.
- Counsel clients, including executive-level government officials, on the most complex legal issues and provide innovative and highly effective guidance on possible courses of action; expertly prepare complex, high profile, and persuasive legal documents on the most complex legal issues for a variety of internal and external recipients.
- Expertly mediate, negotiate, and resolve inter-agency and intra-agency disputes covering a wide range of topics across multiple legal practice areas; consistently demonstrate “strategic lawyering” practices that anticipate or prevent legal problems.
- Expertly conduct, or direct the conduct of, legal research and analysis on extremely complex or sensitive legal issues that have a significant impact on IG, ODNI or IC interests, to include conducting interviews and investigations and briefing IG and ODNI leadership on issues and findings.
- Provide timely reviews of planned IG activities for compliance with the law and brief IG leaders on potential legal and policy issues, and develop solutions to address the most difficult legal problems having potential high-level or large-scale impact on the IG’s mission or activities.
- Analyze and review requests for IG External Review under Section C of PPD-19, or subsequent policy directive, to include reviewing completed reports of investigation (RoIs), reviews, and docket files; all information provided by the requestor; analysis of the framing allegation(s), determining elements of proof, and identifying investigative tasks. proposals, including Congressional testimony.
- Provide expert briefings and advocate for IG views on particular matters to judges, administrative bodies, Executive Branch entities, Congress, and private sector entities; cogently brief senior IG, ODNI and IC management on legal issues that relate to IG activities.



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- Negotiate complex contracts and other agreements with other agencies, private sector entities, and foreign liaison on behalf of the IG.

Mandatory and Educational Requirements:

- Expert ability to interpret laws, regulations, judicial decisions, Executive orders, and statutes involving complex concepts and issues, as well as expert-level research, analytical, and organizational skills.
- Expert interviewing skills and techniques to skillfully collect relevant information; superior ability to balance client needs with professional objectivity and integrity.
- Expert ability to prepare and edit logical, concise, and accurate written materials on the most complex topics that are easy to understand, persuasive, grammatically correct, and conform to IG standards as well as and other applicable legal standards for form and content.
- Superior ability to quickly integrate and synthesize the facts and law to make legally sound decisions pertaining to the most complex situations, or in the context of ambiguous or ill-defined situations.
- Superior ability to routinely communicate the most complex concepts and issues in a manner well matched to the audience being addressed, and to consistently make sound, timely decisions in complex, ambiguous or ill-defined situations.
- Demonstrated ability to maintain confidentiality; uphold integrity standards; and adhere to the highest discretionary standards.
- Superior interpersonal, organizational and problem solving skills, including ability to work effectively both independently and in a collaborative environment and superior creative problem solving skills.

Desired Requirements:

None.

Key Requirements and How To Apply:

Internal ODNI Candidates:

A complete application package must include:

- RESUME:** Applicants are encouraged to carefully review the vacancy announcement, particularly the MDRs, and construct their resume to highlight their most significant experience and qualifications relevant to this job opportunity.
- PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS:** Applicants are required to provide their two most recent performance evaluations. A justification is required if the applicant is unable to provide the two most recent evaluations.
- VACANCY NUMBER:** Reference the vacancy number in the subject line of the email and on each document submitted.
- COVER LETTER:** Applicants must submit a cover letter as a supplement to the resume to elaborate on their qualifications and previous work performed.

WHERE TO SUBMIT: Applications should be sent to either DNI-MSD-HR-RR-Team_B_WMA@dni.ic.gov (classified email system) or Recruitment_TeamB@dni.gov (unclassified email system). Applicants submitting via JWICS are requested to submit their materials to joswida@dni.ic.gov (*Daniel J.*); mitchsl@dni.ic.gov (*Stephanie M.*); and davijao@dni.ic.gov (*Jacqueline D.*) in lieu of the group address above. All attachments should be in Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF format.



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External Candidates:

Key Requirements:

- U.S. Citizenship.
- Successful completion of CI polygraph and background investigation.
- Successful completion of a ODNI medical screening.
- A two-year trial period is required for all new permanent appointments to the ODNI.

A complete application must include:

- a. **RESUME:** Applicants are encouraged to carefully review the vacancy announcement, particularly the MDRs, and construct their resume to highlight their most significant experience and qualifications relevant to this job opportunity.
- b. **PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS:** Applicants are required to provide their two most recent performance evaluations. A justification is required if the applicant is unable to provide the two most recent evaluations.
- c. **VACANCY NUMBER:** Reference the vacancy number in the subject line of the email and on each document submitted.
- d. **COVER LETTER:** Applicants must submit a cover letter as a supplement to the resume to elaborate on their qualifications and previous work performed.
- e. **SF-50:** Current or former Federal Government employees must provide an SF-50, "Notification of Personnel Action" to verify current federal status, position, title, grade, and organization of record.

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Current Federal Employees Applying for a Detail Assignment:

Applicants from federal agencies within the Intelligence Community (IC) may be considered for this position as a reimbursable detailee, if endorsed by the employing agency. Applicants must have current TS//SCI clearances with polygraph or have the ability to obtain one. The ODNI does not conduct polygraphs or provide security clearances for detailees. *Applicants from within the IC must submit an application through the classified [IC Joint Duty Program website](#).*

Applicants from federal agencies outside the IC must provide:

- a. **WRITTEN ENDORSEMENT** from the employing agency concurring with the detail.



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- b. **RESUME:** Applicants are encouraged to carefully review the vacancy announcement, particularly the MDRs, and construct their resume to highlight their most significant experience and qualifications relevant to this job opportunity.
- c. **PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS:** Applicants are required to provide their two most recent performance evaluations. A justification is required if the applicant is unable to provide the two most recent evaluations.
- d. **VACANCY NUMBER:** Reference the vacancy number in the subject line of the email and on each document submitted.
- e. **CURRENT SF-50:** Federal Government employees must provide an SF-50, "Notification of Personnel Action" to verify current federal status, position, title, grade, and organization of record.
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All Applicants:

APPLICATION PACKAGES MUST CONTAIN ALL ITEMS LISTED ABOVE. AN INCOMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE WILL BE INELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

Your application MUST be received by midnight on the closing date of this announcement. Applications received after the closing date will NOT be eligible for consideration.

To verify receipt of your application package ONLY, you may call 301-243-9041.

What To Expect Next:

The most highly qualified candidates will be referred to the hiring manager for further consideration and possible interview. We expect to make a selection within 30 days of the closing date of this announcement. Due to the large number of applications received, applicants will be contacted ONLY if they have been selected for an interview.

Agency Contact Information:

ODNI Recruitment; Phone: 301-243-9041; Email: Recruitment_TeamB@dni.gov

Other Information:

The ODNI offers a broad array of benefits programs and family friendly flexibilities for ODNI cadre.

- Federal Employees Health Benefits Program: <http://www.opm.gov/insure/health/index.asp>



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- Life Insurance: <http://www.opm.gov/insure/life/index.asp>
- Long-Term Care Insurance: <http://www.ltcfeds.com>
- Federal Employees Retirement SYSTEM (FERS) (new employees automatically covered):
<http://www.opm.gov/retire/index.asp> If you are transferring from another agency and covered by the Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS), you may continue in that system.
- Annual and Sick Leave: <http://www.opm.gov/oca/leave/index.asp>
- Flexible Spending Accounts for Health Care and Dependent Care:
<http://www.fsafeds.com/fsafeds/index.asp>
- Paid Federal Holidays
- Alternative Work Schedules

The ODNI is an equal opportunity employer and abides by applicable employment laws and regulations.

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: The ODNI provides reasonable accommodations to otherwise qualified applicants with disabilities. IF YOU NEED A REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the Intelligence Community Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity Office Representative by classified email at DNI_COO_TM_EEOD_RA_WMA@cia.ic.gov, by unclassified email at DNI-EEOD_WMA@cia.ic.gov, by telephone at 301-243-0704 or by FAX at 301-243-1200. Your request for reasonable accommodation will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. **PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION TO THE EEOD EMAIL ADDRESS. THIS EMAIL IS FOR REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION REQUESTS ONLY. PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION VIA THE EMAIL ADDRESS PROVIDED IN THE 'HOW TO APPLY' SECTION ABOVE.**